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SUBJECT: REPORTED FRENCH/SAUDI/EGYPTIAN MIRAGE
DEAL

1. NEWSWEEK SENIOR EDITOR DEBORCHGRAVE, NOW IN CAIRO,
HAS INFORMED US THAT ON JULY 16 GOF AND SAG SIGNED
AGREEMENT FOR PURCHASE BY SAUDIS OF 38 MIRAGE AIRCRAFT.
ACCORDING TO DEBORCHGRAVE, MIRAGES WILL BE FOR EXCLUSIVE
USE OF EGYPTIAN AIR FORCE. LATTER WILL SEND PILOTS TO
SAUDI ARABIA FOR TRAINING FOLLOWING DELIVERY OF AIRCRAFT.

2. DEBORCHGRAVE'S SOURCE IS FRENCH ENTREPRENEUR MICHEL
DE BOURBON-PARME, WHO IS PARTY TO DEAL. BOURBON-PARME
GAVE NO FURTHER DETAILS OF ARRANGEMENT EXCEPT TO NOTE
THAT GOF WAS FULLY AWARE AIRCRAFT WOULD BE INTENDED
FOR EGYPTIAN USE.
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